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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

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Sir:

In accordance with Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendment prior to examination of the above-captioned application.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following Abstract:

The present invention provides surface imprint compositions useful for capturing, isolating, detecting, analyzing and/or quantifying molecules in a sample. The surface imprint compositions comprise a matrix material having imprint cavities of a template molecule or molecules imprinted thereon wherein a substantial number of the imprint cavities are located at or near the surface of the matrix material.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 28-57 without prejudice.